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## CURRICULUM VITAE VAL PATRICK EXNICIOS, ESQUIRE

COLLEGE University of New Orleans

New Orleans, LA

Degree: B.A. Political Science 1986

**Honors: Dean's List** 

LAW SCHOOL Loyola University School of Law

New Orleans, LA

**Degree: Juris Doctorate 1989** 

**Honors:** 

Law Review Moot Court Moot Court Staff

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PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONAL

AFFILIATIONS Louisiana State Bar Association, 1989-Present

N. O. Bar Association, 1989-Present

Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, 1989-Present

### **CONCENTRATIONS/AREAS OF PRACTICE**

Personal injury/mass torts/class action/toxic torts/products liability/litigation.

#### SAMPLING OF MASS TORT/CLASS ACTION MATTERS

1. Committeeman Federal Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in re Gaylord/Bogalusa Explosion

- appointed by U.S.D.C. Judge Martin Feldman 1995-96

2. Chairman Remand Committee, Federal Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in re

Gaylord/Bogalusa Explosion 1995-96

3. Committeeman State Court Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in re Riverwalk/Brightfield

Litigation - appointed by C.D.C. Judge Max Tobias 1996 to 2002 (settled

2002)

4. Committeeman Federal Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in re Baton Rouge Benzene Barge Spill - appointed by U.S.D.C. Judge John Parker 1997 to 2000 (settled 2000)

5. Committeeman State Court Plaintiffs' Steering Committee in re Redux/Fen-Phen Litigation - appointed by C.D.C. Judge Terri Love 1997 to present

6. Committeeman State Court Plaintiff Steering Committee in re M/T Westchester Oil Spill - appointed by 25<sup>th</sup> JDC Judge William Roe, 2000 to present, (removed to U.S.D.C. E.D. of La., 3/01; see #10 below)

7. Lead Counsel In Re BFI, et al (34<sup>th</sup> JDC #63-145, c/w 65-773 (Palmer, et al v BFI, et al) 1990-present - representation of 500+ individual plaintiffs for toxic exposure re claims against BFI, S&WB of N.O. and La. D.E.Q., 1989 to Present

8. Co-Lead Counsel In Re Gaylord/Bogalusa in the Circuit Court of Hinds Co., Mississippi, 1<sup>st</sup> Judicial District; representation of 3,900+ individual plaintiffs for toxic exposure claims against Gaylord Chemical, Vicksburg Chemical, Illinois Central Railroad, KCS Railroad and Union Tank Car Co., 1996 to present

9. Co-Lead Counsel In RE Malathion (Rink, et al v Cheminova, et al) U.S. District Court for the Middle District of Florida; representation of putative class plaintiffs for toxic exposure to ISO Malathion and other organophosphate impurities/poisons in conjunction with their exposure during the 1997 and 1998 Medfly Eradication Programs; 1999-05 (resolved, 2005)

10. Chairman/Liason Counsel

Federal Plaintiffs's Steering Committee in re M/T Westchester Allision - appointed by U.S.D.C.-EDIa. Judge Edith Brown Clement, 2001-05, (settled, 2005), (then Judge Jay Zainey presiding)

11. Co-Lead Counsel Federal Court Plaintiffs' Steering Committee & Class Counsel in re Murphy Oil USA, appointed by USDC-EDLa. Judge Eldon Fallon, 2005 to present, (preliminarily approved for \$330M + class settlement, 2006)

12. Special Counsel Federal Court Plaintiffs Steering Committee in Re Fosomax litigation, 2006

13. Special Counsel Federal Court Plaintiffs Steering Committee in Re Vioxx litigation,2005

14. Co-Lead Counsel
State Court Interim Plaintiffs Steering Committee in Re Katrina Hospital & Nursing Home Death & Personal Injury Litigation, 2006, appointed by 4 different Louisiana state court Judges to 4 separate PSC's in 4 putative class actions

#### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Judge, Loyola University School of Law, Moot Court Competition 1990-01

Lecturer, Loyola University School of Law, Freshmen Professionalism Orientation, 2000 to present

Skills Professor, Loyola University School of Law, 2006, Trial Practice Skills Professor, Loyola University School of Law, 2003 to present, Professionalism & Ethics

#### **CLE TEACHING POSITIONS**

CLE Lecturer, Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, Ethics & Professionalism in Mass Tort and Class Action Litigation, 1998 CLE Lecturer, New Orleans Bar Association, Mass Tort & Class Action Litigation from Mass Tort Disaster to Trial, 2000 Certified CLE Professionalism Instructor, 2001 to present, Louisiana State Bar Association, Professionalism & Quality of Life Committee CLE Lecturer and Host, LSBA Bench & Bar CLE Seminar, Ethics and Professionalism, Sandestin Bar Convention 2001-2006 Frequent CLE Lecturer for LSBA, NOBA & LTLA on ethics, professionalism and mass tort/class action matters.

#### **LSBA POSITIONS**

Chairman, LSBA Section Council (Voluntary Bar of the State of Louisiana), 2003-present

Chairman, LSBA Bench & Bar Section, 2001-present

Chairman, LSBA Bench & Bar Ad Hoc Judiciary Committee, 1998-present

Committeeman, Louisiana Supreme Court MCLE Committee, 2004-present

Committeeman, LSBA Rules of Professional Conduct, Lawyer Advertising Committee, 2005-present

Committeeman, LSBA Legislation Committee, 2005-present Committeeman, LSBA Professionalism Committee, 1999-present Director, Board of Directors, Louisiana Center for Law & Civic Education, 2006-07

Member, Louisiana Bar Foundation, 2004-present

#### **CHARITABLE POSITIONS**

Governor, St. Thomas More Catholic Lawyers Association 1994-98; Treasurer 1999-2004, Vice-President, 2005-06

President, Cosmopolitan Club of N.O. 1993-96

Lt. Governor, South Western Federation, Cosmopolitan International 1996-97

President, Lawyers Against Crime, Inc. 1996-Present
Director, New Orleans East Business Association 1998-99
Pro Bono Counsel, Ozanam Inn Homeless Center, 2005-present
N.O. Coordinator, Judge Jay Zainey's H.E.L.P. (Homeless Experience
Legal Protection) Program, 2004-present

Pro Bono Counsel, Algiers Council of Neighborhood Presidents Secretary/Treasurer, A.P. Tureaud American Inn of Court, 2004-present

#### **AWARDS**

LSBA President's Award, 2005 New Orleans CitiBusiness, 2005, Best Lawyers in New Orleans